REMARKS

Claims 1-28 were pending in the present application. Claims 1-28 were cancelled. Claims 29-57 were added. Accordingly, claims 29-57 are now pending in the application.

Claims 1-28 stood provisionally rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 as claiming the same invention as that of claims 1-28 of co-pending U.S. Application 10/042,989. The Applicant has cancelled claims 1-28 and believes the rejection to now be moot.

Claims 1-28 stood rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Sandberg (U.S. Patent Number 5,592,625) (hereinafter 'Sandberg'). The Applicant has cancelled claims 1-28 and believes the rejection to now be moot.

The applicant's claim 29 recites

"A method, comprising:

receiving a request from a first domain to access a second domain; and using a third domain to access the second domain in response to receiving the request from the first domain."

Sandberg does not teach or disclose the features recited in claim 29. Thus claim 29, along with its dependent claims, is believed to patentably distinguish over Sandberg.

The Applicant's claim 48 recites features that are similar to the features recited in claim 29. Accordingly, claim 48, along with its dependent claims, is believed to patentably distinguish over Sandberg.

The applicant's claim 38 recites

"An apparatus, comprising:

an interface; and

a first control unit communicatively coupled to the interface, wherein the

control unit is adapted to:

receive a request from a first domain for data that is storable in a resource associated with a second domain;

access the data from the resource associated with the second domain; provide the data to the first domain; and provide an indication to the first domain in response to providing the data."

Sandberg does not teach or disclose the features recited in claim 38. Thus claim 38, along with its dependent claims, is believed to patentably distinguish over Sandberg.

The Applicant's claim 55 recites

"A method, comprising:

receiving a request from a first client domain to communicate with a second client domain; and

allowing the first client domain to communicate with the second client domain through a shared resource domain."

Sandberg does not teach or disclose the features recited in claim 55. Thus claim 55, along with its dependent claims, is believed to patentably distinguish over Sandberg.

CONCLUSION

Applicant submits the application is in condition for allowance, and an early notice to that effect is requested.

If any fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge said fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert, & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 501505/5681-56800/BNK.

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